OUTLOOK ACADEMY, STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY

REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (with required supplementary information)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy Allegan, Michigan August 22, 2005

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise the Academy's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, and the major fund of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy as of June 30, 2005 and the respective changes in financial position, thereof, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 22, 2005 on our consideration of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

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The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages v through ix and 14, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Maner, Costerison & Ellis, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of Outlook Academy's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the public school Academy's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2005. Please read it in conjunction with the Academy's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

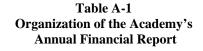
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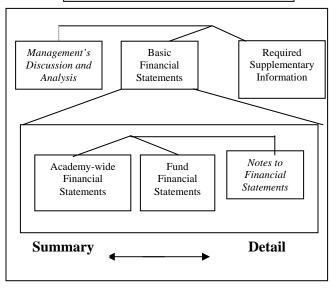
- The assets for the Academy exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$112,008 (net assets). All of this amount represents *unrestricted net assets* and may be used to meet the Academy's ongoing obligations for general Academy programs.
- Revenues decreased by 61.1 percent over the prior year to \$226,823. Blended enrollment used for state aid purposes was 15, a decrease of 4.5 FTE over the prior year. Federal revenue sources decreased by \$85,744 from the prior year because of the elimination of the federal start-up grant.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts – management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Academy:

- The first two statements are academywide financial statements that provide both short-term and long-term information about the Academy's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the Academy, reporting the Academy's operations in more detail than the academy-wide statements.
- The governmental funds statements tell how basic services like regular and special education were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.
- The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of





required supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the Academy's budget for the year. Table A-1 shows how the various parts of the annual report are arranged and related to one another.

Table A-2 summarized the major features of the Academy's financial statements, including the portion of the Academy's activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

Table A-2 Major Features of the Academy-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

	Academy-wide statements	Fund Financial Statements
		Governmental funds
Scope	Entire Academy (except	All activities of the Academy that are not
	fiduciary funds)	fiduciary (the Academy does not have
		fiduciary funds)
Required financial	* Statement of net assets	* Balance sheet
statements	* Statement of activities	* Statement of revenues, expenditures and
		changes in fund balances
Accounting basis and	Accrual accounting and	Modified accrual accounting and current
measurement focus	economic resources focus	financial resources focus
Type of asset/liability	All assets and liabilities, both	Generally assets expected to be used up
information	financial and capital, short-term	and liabilities that come due during the
	and long-term	year or soon thereafter; no capital assets
		or long-term liabilities included
Type of inflow/outflow	All revenues and expenses	Revenues for which cash is received
information	during year, regardless of when	during or soon after the end of the year,
	cash is received or paid	expenditures when goods or services have
		been received and the related liability is
		due and payable

Academy-wide statements

The Academy-wide statements report information about the Academy as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net assets includes all of the Academy's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two Academy-wide statements report the Academy's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets – the difference between the Academy's assets and liabilities, are one way to measure the Academy's financial health or position.

- > Over time, increases or decreases in the Academy's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the Academy, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the Academy's enrollment, the availability of sufficient funds, and its ability to afford a large enough facility.

In the Academy-wide financial statements, the Academy's activities:

Governmental activities – The Academy's basic services are included in the general fund, such as regular education and administration. State foundation aid and federal sources finance most of these activities.

Fund financial statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Academy's funds, focusing on its more significant or "major" funds – not the Academy as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the Academy uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs.

- Some funds are required by State law.
- The Academy could establish other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes (like repaying long-term debts) or to show that it is properly using certain revenues (like food service).

All of the Academy's basic services are included in governmental funds which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Academy's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the Academy-wide statements, we provide additional information with the governmental funds statement that explains the relationship (or differences) between them.

Financial analysis of the Academy as a whole

Net assets - the Academy's combined net assets decreased from the prior year by \$11,220, decreasing net assets to \$112,008. See Table A-3.

The total revenues decreased by 61.1% to \$226,823.

The total cost of instruction decreased by 50.2% to \$143,901 and total support service expenditures decreased 27.6% to \$94,142. Overall, total expenditures decreased by 41.3% or \$98,320 to \$238,043.

Figure A-3 Academy Net Assets						
		2005		2004		
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	76,535	\$	113,056		
Due from other governmental units		45,845		34,370		
Total assets		122,380		147,426		
Current liabilities:						
Accounts payable		1,035		4,386		
Accrued salaries and related items		8,259		18,421		
Due to other governmental units		1,078		1,391		
Total liabilities		10,372		24,198		
Net assets:						
Unrestricted		112,008		123,228		
Total net assets	\$	112,008	\$	123,228		

Figure A-4								
Changes in Academy's Net Assets								
	200520							
Revenues:								
Program revenues:								
Federal and state categorical grants	\$	62,930	\$	145,096				
Charges for services		1,274		1,025				
General revenues:								
Family court		46,546		79,180				
State sources		115,716		128,354				
Other		357		11,951				
Total revenues		226,823		365,606				
Expenses:								
Instruction		143,901		216,274				
Support services		94,142		120,089				
Total expenses		238,043		336,363				
Change in net assets	\$	(11,220)	\$	29,243				

Financial analysis of the Academy's funds

As the Academy completed the year, its governmental fund reported a fund balance of \$112,008, a decrease of \$11,220 over last year's total of \$123,228. This represents approximately six months of the 2005-06 total general fund expenditures.

General fund budgetary highlights

Over the course of the year, the Academy amended the annual operating budget four times, most recently in June of 2005. Total general fund revenues decreased slightly, 1.5%, from the original to the final budget. Total expenditures also decreased slightly, 3.9%. These variances are minor and represent a fluctuation in student enrollment.

Capital assets and debt administration

Capital assets

At year end, the Academy reported no capital assets. Capital assets could consist of land, buildings and improvements, and equipment and furniture.

Long-term debt

At year-end the Academy had no long-term debt.

Factors bearing on the Academy's future

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the Academy was aware of existing circumstances that could affect its financial health in the future.

The continual sluggish economy in the State of Michigan has placed the 2005-2006 foundation allowance in jeopardy of being prorated. The foundation allowance represents 55% of the total Academy revenue.

Student enrollment continues to be an important issue for the Academy. The blended count rose from 12 in the first year of operation to 15 this year. The count will need to continue to rise and/or additional revenue streams will be needed.

The foundation allowance, family court agreement, and Byrne Grant are sufficient to pay for the general operations of the Academy. However, 2005-06 is the final year of the Byrne Grant. Additional grant sources will be needed to continue with the same staffing level in the future.

Requests for information

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and customers with a general overview of the Academy's finances and to demonstrate the academy's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact Mike Hagerty, Director of Finance and Operations, Allegan County ISD, 310 Thomas St., Allegan, MI 49010.

OUTLOOK ACADEMY, STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2005

	Governmental activities	
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	76,535
Due from other governmental units		45,845
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$	122,380
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$	1,035
Accrued salaries and related items		8,259
Due to other governmental unit		1,078
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		10,372
NET ASSETS:		
Unrestricted		112,008
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	122,380

OUTLOOK ACADEMY, STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

							vernmental activities
			Program	rever	nues		t (expense) venue and
Functions/programs	F	Expenses			Operating grants		hanges in let assets
Governmental activities:							
Instruction	\$	143,901	\$	\$	48,269	\$	(95,632)
Support services		94,142	 1,274		14,661		(78,207)
Total governmental activities	\$	238,043	\$ 1,274	\$	62,930		(173,839)
General revenues:							
Family court							46,546
State sources							115,716
Other							357
Total general revenues							162,619
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS							(11,220)
NET ASSETS, beginning of year							123,228
NET ASSETS, end of year						\$	112,008

OUTLOOK ACADEMY, STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND JUNE 30, 2005

	General fund	
ASSETS		Tuliu
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	76,535
Due from other governmental units		45,845
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$	122,380
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$	1,035
Accrued salaries and related items		8,259
Due to other governmental unit		1,078
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		10,372
FUND BALANCE:		
Unreserved - undesignated		112,008
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	122,380

OUTLOOK ACADEMY, STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

TEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003	General fund
REVENUES:	
Local sources:	
Family court revenue	\$ 46,546
Other local revenue	1,631
Total local sources	48,177
State sources	125,326
Federal sources	53,320
Total revenues	226,823
EXPENDITURES:	
Instruction:	
Basic programs	143,901
Support services:	
General administration	14,075
School administration	7,525
Business	15,102
Operation and maintenance	29,287
Transportation	28,153
Total expenditures	238,043
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(11,220)
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	123,228
FUND BALANCE, end of year	\$ 112,008

OUTLOOK ACADEMY, STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

Net change in fund balance total governmental fund	\$ (11,220)
There are no reconciling items for the year ended June 30, 2005.	
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ (11,220)

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy (the Academy) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Academy's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The Academy was incorporated July 3, 2002 for the purposes of operating as a public school strict discipline academy in the State of Michigan pursuant to Sections 1311b to 1311l of the Revised School Code, being MCL 380.1311b to 380.1311l (the "Code"). The Academy, including all activities incident to its purposes, shall at all times be conducted so as to be a governmental entity pursuant to Section 115 of the United States Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") or any successor law. Allegan County Intermediate School Academy is the authorizing body for the Academy and has contracted with the Academy to charter a public school academy for a period of three years. The Academy's board of directors is approved by the authorizing body and is authorized to manage the Academy, property and affairs of the Academy. The Academy receives funding from local, state, and federal government sources and must comply with all of the requirements of these funding source entities. However, the Academy is not included in any other governmental reporting entity as defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, the Academy's reporting entity does not contain any component units as defined in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 14 and 39.

The Academy has followed the guidelines of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 14 and No. 39 and has determined that no entities should be consolidated into its financial statements as component units. Therefore, the reporting entity consists of the Academy's financial statements only.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Academy. The government-wide financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. All of the Academy's activities are classified as governmental activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges paid by recipients who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods or services by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. State Foundation Aid, certain revenue from the intermediate school Academy and other unrestricted items are not included as program revenues but instead as *general revenues*.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (Concluded)

In the government-wide statement of net assets, the governmental activities column (a) is presented on a consolidated basis, (b) and is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. For the year ended June 30, 2005 there are no reconciling items for full accrual basis. The Academy's net assets are all reported as unrestricted net assets.

The Academy first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Academy's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues and other revenues). The statement of activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues and operating grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary grants.

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (state sources, interest income and other revenues.)

The Academy does not allocate indirect costs.

Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Governmental Funds - Governmental funds are those funds through which most school Academy functions typically are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the school Academy's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds.

The Academy reports the following major governmental fund:

The *general fund* is the Academy's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Academy, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation

Accrual Method

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement* focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Modified Accrual Method

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Academy considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

State and federal aid and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Academy.

The State of Michigan utilizes a foundation grant approach which provides for a specific annual amount of revenue per pupil based on a statewide formula. The Foundation is funded from state and local sources. Revenues from state sources are primarily governed by the School Aid Act and the School Code of Michigan. The Michigan Department of Education administers the allocation of state funds to school Academys based on information supplied by the Academys. For the year ended June 30, 2005, the foundation allowance was based on pupil membership counts taken in February and September of 2004.

The state portion of the foundation is provided primarily by a state education property tax millage of 6 mills and an allocated portion of state sales and other taxes. The local portion of the foundation is funded primarily by non-homestead property taxes which may be levied at a rate of up to 18 mills. The State revenue is recognized during the foundation period and is funded through payments from October 2004 to August 2005. Thus, the unpaid portion at June 30th is reported as due from other governmental units.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation (Concluded)

State Revenue

The Academy also receives revenue from the state to administer certain categorical education programs. State rules require that revenue earmarked for these programs be used for its specific purpose. Certain governmental funds require an accounting to the state of the expenditures incurred. For categorical funds meeting this requirement, funds received, which are not expended by the close of the fiscal year are recorded as deferred revenue. Other categorical funding is recognized when the appropriation is received.

D. Other Accounting Policies

1. Cash and equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and certificates of deposit.

The Academy reports its investments in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools and No. 40 Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures. Under these standards, certain investments are valued at fair value as determined by quoted market prices, or by estimated fair values when quoted market prices are not available. The standards also provide that certain investments are valued at cost (or amortized cost) when they are of a short-term duration, the rate of return is fixed, and the Academy intend to hold the investment until maturity.

State statutes authorize the Academy to invest in bonds and other direct and certain indirect obligations of the U.S. Treasury; certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a bank, savings and loan association, or credit union, which is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, or National Credit Union Administration, respectively; in commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the three highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and which matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase. The Academy is also authorized to invest in U.S. Government or federal agency obligation repurchase agreements, bankers' acceptances of U.S. banks, and mutual funds composed of investments as outlined above.

2. Fund Balance

The unreserved fund balances for governmental funds represent the amount available for budgeting future operations. The reserved fund balances for governmental funds represent the amount that has been legally identified for specific purposes or indicates that a component of assets does not constitute "available spendable resources." The designated fund balances for governmental funds represent tentative plans for future use of financial resources.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Concluded)

D. Other Accounting Policies (Concluded)

3. Use of Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

The Academy follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. The Administrator submits to the Board of Directors a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing on July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. The level of control for the budgets is at the functional level as set forth and presented as required supplementary information.
- 2. Prior to July 1, the budget is legally adopted by Board resolution pursuant to the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (P.A. 621 of 1978). The Act requires that the budget be amended prior to the end of the fiscal year when necessary to adjust appropriations if it appears that revenues and other financing sources will be less than anticipated or so that expenditures will not be in excess of original estimates. Expenditures shall not be made or incurred, unless authorized in the budget, or in excess of the amount appropriated. Violations, if any, in the general fund are noted in the required supplementary information section.
- 3. The Administrator is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between major expenditure functions within any fund; however, these transfers and any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the Board.
- 4. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the general fund.
- 5. The budget as presented, has been amended. Supplemental appropriations were made during the year with the last one approved prior to June 30th.

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Interest rate risk. The Academy does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a mean of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit risk. State law limits investments in commercial paper and corporate bonds to a prime or better rating issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs). The Academy has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of June 30, 2005, the Academy had no investments.

Concentration of credit risk. The Academy places no limit on the amount the Academy may invest in any one issuer. At June 30, 2005, the Academy had no investments.

Custodial credit risk - deposits. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Academy's deposits may not be returned to it. As of June 30, 2005, \$0 of the Academy's bank balance of \$76,535 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Custodial credit risk - investments. For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Academy will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Academy had no investments at June 30, 2005.

Foreign currency risk. The Academy is not authorized to invest in investments which have this type of risk.

Cash is held in the name of the Academy in the general fund.

NOTE 4 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM - DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> - The Academy contributes to the statewide Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS), a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the board of the MPSERS. The MPSERS provides retirement benefits and postretirement benefits for health, dental and vision. The MPSERS was established by Public Act 136 of 1945 and operated under the provisions of Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended. The MPSERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for MPSERS. That report may be obtained by writing to Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System, P.O. Box 30026, Lansing, Michigan 48909 or by calling (517) 322-6000.

NOTE 4 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM - DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN (Concluded)

Funding Policy - Member Investment Plan (MIP) members enrolled in MIP prior to January 1, 1990 contribute a permanently fixed rate of 3.9% of gross wages. The MIP contribution rate was 4.0% from January 1, 1987, the effective date of the MIP, until January 1, 1990 when it was reduced to 3.9%. Members first hired January 1, 1990 or later and returning members who did not work between January 1, 1987 and December 31, 1989 contribute at the following graduated permanently fixed contribution rate: 3% of the first \$5,000; 3.6% of \$5,001 through \$15,000; 4.3% of all wages over \$15,000.

Basic Plan members make no contributions. For a limited period ending December 31, 1992, an active Basic Plan member could enroll in the MIP by paying the contributions that would have been made had enrollment occurred initially on January 1, 1987 or on the date of hire, plus interest. MIP contributions at the rate of 3.9% of gross wages begin at enrollment. Market rate interest is posted to member accounts on July 1st on all MIP monies on deposit for 12 months. If a member leaves MPSERS service and no pension is payable, the member's accumulated contribution plus interest, if any, are refundable.

The Academy is required to contribute the full actuarial funding contribution amount to fund pension benefits, plus an additional amount to fund retiree health care benefit amounts on a cash disbursement basis. The rates for the year ended June 30, 2005 was 12.99% through September 2004 and 14.87% for October 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Academy are established and may be amended by the MPSERS Board of Trustees. The Academy contributions to MPSERS for the year ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, were approximately \$17,200, \$18,500 and \$10,000, respectively, equal to the required contribution for the year.

The Academy is not responsible for the payment of retirement benefits which is the responsibility of the State of Michigan.

Other Post employment Benefits - Under the MPSERS' Act, all retirees have the option of continuing health, dental, and vision coverage. These benefits are not included in the pension benefit obligation referred to above.

NOTE 5 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Academy is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees' and natural disasters. To minimize the risk, the Academy carries commercial insurance.

NOTE 6 - AUTHORIZING BODY

Allegan County Intermediate School Academy (ACISD) is the authorizing body and fiscal agent. The term of the agreement expires June 30, 2005. The Academy has agreed to pay ACISD 3% of its school aid payments as an administrative fee.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

THE OUTLOOK ACADEMY REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

	Original budget	Final budget	Actual	Variance with final budget- positive (negative)
REVENUES:				
Local sources:				
Family court revenue	\$ 130,617	\$ 96,321	\$ 46,546	\$ (49,775)
Other local revenue			1,631	1,631
Total local sources	130,617	96,321	48,177	(48,144)
State sources	99,586	121,519	125,326	3,807
Federal sources		11,182	53,320	42,138
Total revenues	230,203	229,022	226,823	(2,199)
EXPENDITURES:				
Instruction:				
Basic programs	143,254	143,745	143,901	(156)
Support services:				
General administration	12,300	10,389	14,075	(3,686)
School administration	10,050	11,063	7,525	3,538
Business	10,551	14,889	15,102	(213)
Operation and maintenance	36,863	29,325	29,287	38
Transportation	34,515	29,438	28,153	1,285
Total expenditures	247,533	238,849	238,043	806
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(17,330)	(9,827)	(11,220)	(1,393)
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	123,228	123,228	123,228	
FUND BALANCE, end of year	\$ 105,898	\$ 113,401	\$ 112,008	\$ (1,393)



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy Allegan, Michigan August 22, 2005

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise Outlook Academy's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 22, 2005. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matter involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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We noted certain matters that we reported to management of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy in a report dated August 22, 2005.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors and management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Mainer, Costenson & Ellis, P.C.

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August 22, 2005

To the Board of Education Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy Allegan, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy for the year ended June 30, 2005, we considered the District's internal control in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

However, during our audit we became aware of certain matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency. The comments and suggestions regarding those matters follow. This letter does not affect our report dated August 22, 2005, on the financial statements of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy.

Prior Year Comments Resolved:

Prepare an Initial Cash Receipt Listing

An initial cash receipts listing is now prepared by the office manager and reconciled to the general ledger periodically by the Allegan County Intermediate School District (ACISD) finance personnel.

Cancelled Checks Returned from Bank

Cancelled checks are being received from the bank.

Improve Security of Signature Stamp

The signature stamp is now stored in a locked safe in the director's office.

Improve Segregation of Duties

Bank statements are now received unopened by the ACISD Supervisor of Financial Services and reviewed periodically.

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Develop an Accounting Procedures Manual

The Academy has finalized the procedures manual for the business office.

Maintain Accounting Information in a Central Location

Copies of all invoices are being sent to the ACISD finance department.

Repeat Comments:

Increase Fidelity Insurance Coverage

We noted that the School District maintains a minimal blanket position bond for insurance coverage.

The Academy has reviewed its insurance and feels it is adequate.

Current Year Comments:

New Rules For §403(B) Plans

Proposed regulations were issued last year that require a written plan document for §403(b) plans. The plan must contain all the material terms and conditions for eligibility, benefits, contribution limitations, the annuity contracts or accounts available or used under the plan for funding, and the time and form under which benefit payments will be made. There is no requirement that a single document must be used.

The IRS recently announced that they are delaying the effective date for these rules until plan years beginning after December 31, 2006. Therefore, no action is necessary at this time.

We will review the status of these comments during our next audit engagement. We have already discussed many of these comments and suggestions with various District personnel, and we will be pleased to discuss them in further detail at your convenience, to perform any additional study of these matters, or to assist you in implementing the recommendations.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy management, and others within the organization, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We appreciate the cooperation we received from your staff during our engagement and the opportunity to be of service.

Very truly yours,

Maner, Costenson & Ellis, P.C.



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To the Board of Education Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy Allegan, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy for the year ended June 30, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated August 22, 2005. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

1. <u>Our Responsibility under the U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Government Audit</u> Standards

As stated in our engagement letter, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and are fairly presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting standards. Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance and because we did not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements may exist and not be detected by us.

As part of our audit, we considered the internal control of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy. Such considerations were solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academys' compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. However, the objective of our tests was not to provide an opinion on compliance with such provisions.

2. <u>Significant Accounting Policies</u>

Management has the responsibility for selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter, we will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during year. We noted no transactions entered into by Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under professional standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

3. <u>Accounting Estimates</u>

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate(s) affecting the financial statements were those relating to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

4. Audit Adjustments

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define an audit adjustment as a proposed correction of the financial statements that, in our judgment, may not have been detected except through our auditing procedures. An audit adjustment may or may not indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy's financial reporting process (that is, cause future financial statements to be materially misstated). In our judgment, none of the adjustments we proposed, whether recorded or unrecorded by the Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy, either individually or in the aggregate, indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy's financial reporting process.

5. Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

6. Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

7. <u>Issues Discussed Prior to Retention of Independent Auditors</u>

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

8. <u>Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit</u>

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing our audit.

This information is intended solely for the use of management of Outlook Academy, Strict Discipline Academy and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Maner, Costenson & Ellis, P.C.